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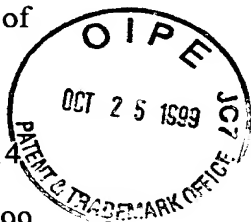
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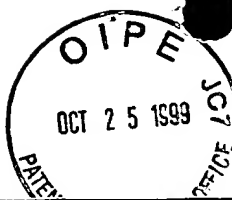
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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

10 **Cross-Reference To Related Applications**

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Field of the Invention

The present invention is related to distributed computing
environments and the completion of tasks within such environments. In
20 particular, the present invention teaches a variety of software-based
architectures for communication and cooperation among distributed
electronic agents. Certain embodiments teach interagent communication
languages enabling client agents to make requests in the form of
arbitrarily complex goal expressions that are solved through facilitation
25 by a facilitator agent.

Context and Motivation for Distributed Software Systems

The evolution of models for the design and construction of
distributed software systems is being driven forward by several closely

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